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Duchovny, Leoni split months ago, rep says

Is this a case of sex, hugs and cop 'n' roll?

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COLLISION A 60-year-old Morinville man is accused of trying to kill a police officer who allegedly interrupted him while he was engaged in a "sexual act" with woman inside a car.

Police say the man was in the idling vehicle with the woman in a parking area near Airport Road when he was told to turn off the engine and get out of the car. The man allegedly refused and put the vehicle in reverse.

Once the vehicle was 20 feet away from the police officer, the driver put the car in gear and then allegedly mowed down the officer, who landed on the hood and remained there for several yards, police said.

Police say the man was arrested by responding officers and the patrol cop. The officer was hurt, but is expected to make a full recovery.

Morey Rudolph has been charged with attempted murder and criminal negligence causing bodily harm. A 46-year-old woman was released without charges.

Canada pg 4

Group wants tent cities legalized

Flu shot Ouch!

BEN LEMPHERS/METRO EDMONTON

Andrea Dagenais holds her very unhappy two-year-old son Logan while he gets a quick poke for his influenza immunization. Nurse Jennifer Beaudry doled out shots for an immunization campaign from Alberta Health Services at the Bonnie Doon Mall yesterday.

Deaths were over a spilled drink: Crown

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A fight over a spilled drink resulted in a bloody triple homicide at an Edmonton after-hours nightclub two years ago, a crown prosecutor told a jury of six women and six men in Court of Queen's bench yesterday.

"A disturbance happened in the club and it escalated into a fight," Crown prosecutor John Watson said yesterday on the first day of Dwayne Anthony Nelson's trial.

The melee "happened over a spilled drink," Watson said of the incident that allegedly led to the deaths of three men at the Red Light Lounge near 105 Street and 100 Avenue Oct. 29, 2006. Two men and a woman were also injured.

"Despite the bouncers separating the fight, it continued," Watson said, adding five shots were fired as people ran out the door in a "massive panic".

"You have a bunch of people running through the front door and shots rang out," said Watson.

The Crown Prosecutor told jurors none of the trial's witnesses will identify the accused as the shooter. He said another witness will testify that he heard Nelson discuss the shooting a few days later.

Watson told jurors to expect to see a videotaped police interview with Nelson after he was arrested at the Edmonton International Airport.

Videotaped footage of the scene where the bodies of Thomas Tipo Orak, 19, Dave Persaud, 21, and Jacey Pinnock, 27, were found was shown to the jury. The footage, which was shown away from media, also showed shell casings and "a lot of blood that was watery and thin looking," Det. Jeffery Kerr said during his testimony.

Charges

- Nelson has pleaded not guilty to three charges of second-degree murder, two counts of aggravated assault and a charge of assault causing bodily harm.

Jaffer loses seat, gains a spouse

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POLITICS Rahim Jaffer said "I do" to two women this week: To fiancee and Ontario Tory MP Helena Guergis, and belatedly, to his successor, New Democrat Linda Duncan.

The former Edmonton-Strathcona Conservative MP, who demanded a recount for his riding, spoke to media yesterday for the first time since election night.

Rahim Jaffer

Helena Guergis

"It was a narrow margin," Jaffer said. "Razor-thin."

After Elections Canada Wednesday afternoon confirmed the result, Guergis decided it was time to tie the knot.

The couple went right out and bought rings, then were married by a friend.

"She got me at a bit of a weak moment, I must say," said Jaffer.

"She said, 'It's a minority government. I'm not waiting any more.' "

Yesterday Jaffer said that Elections Canada had confirmed the riding's results, upping Duncan's winning margin to 463 votes from the original 442.

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Esks duo ready for rib contest

Edmonton Eskimos defensive linemen Adam Braidwood and Brandon Guillory will be facing off to see who can eat the most ribs on Oct. 21, kicking off Tap 25's (River Cree Casino) All You Can Eat Ribs night, which will run every Tuesday until Dec. 20. METRO EDMONTON

Local

Clean up butts or pay price

City officials are reminding business owners to clean up discarded cigarette butts around their businesses. Bylaw officers will be visiting businesses on Whyte Avenue, Jasper Avenue, Stony Plain Road, Alberta Avenue and 124 Street over the weekend, letting them know that the fine for leaving butts on the sidewalks is $250. METRO EDMONTON

Escaped cons likely in Alberta: RCMP

Women on lam after N.W.T. prison break

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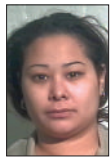
Mounties in Fort Smith, N.W.T., believe two women who escaped prison through a window are somewhere in Alberta.



Jewell

Buggins

Police say both women broke through a window at the Territorial Women's Correctional Centre early Sunday morning and immediately fled the Northwest Territories in a vehicle that is being driven by a man identified as Greg Buffalo.

It is believed the vehicle was heading to Alberta, said Mounties.

Sheila Jewell, 27, and Toni-Lynn Elizabeth Buggins, 25, were both serving prison sentences for property crimes, and Mounties don't believe the public is at an immediate risk.

Jewell is described as a 5-foot-6 Inuit woman with brown hair and brown eyes, who weighs around 150 pounds.

Buggins is described as a 5-foot-9 Dene woman with light brown hair and green eyes who weighs around 145 pounds.

Fort Smith RCMP say all police agencies throughout Alberta and the Northwest Territories have been made aware of the escaped prisoners.

Charity A roaring good start

BEN LEMPHER/METRO EDMONTON

United Way mascot Roary the lion does his best to get people excited about the organization after the 2008 Breakfast of Champions yesterday morning at the Westin Hotel in downtown Edmonton. The charity campaign is well under way but has a long way to go to reach its donation goal.

Alberta Health to pay for midwives

HEALTH Alberta's Tory government will pay for the costs of expecting mothers who need midwifery services, Health Minister Ron Liepert announced yesterday.

Beginning April 1, 2009, expecting mothers across the province who choose to seek help from midwives will have those costs covered under Alberta Health in a move that will relieve pressure from doctors, hospitals and nurses, Liepert said.

"Expanding the use of midwifery services will also help address the pressures on family physicians and obstetricians," Liepert said in a release.

The province will pay $4 million for midwifery services in the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

The announcement from the province comes after years of lobbying to have the services funded under health care. METRO EDMONTON

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2nd pipeline damaged in blast

ATTACK A bomb has damaged a natural gas pipeline in northeastern British Columbia, police said yesterday, describing the attack as the second of its kind in the same area in a week.

Alberta-based energy producer EnCana Corp. later said it had stopped a small leak at a "field facility" about 50 kilometres southeast of the town of Dawson Creek, and that the incident was being investigated by the RCMP.

The RCMP said in a statement it was an explosion that "appears to be a deliberate act that left a crater in the ground under the pipeline that carries sour gas."

EnCana, Canada's biggest independent oil and gas producer, has increased security at its operations in the region.

Police said the incident involved a pipeline that was in the same area as a bombing of an EnCana-owned pipeline on Saturday.

"This is the second incident this week in the same area and it appears the two events are related," police said in a statement.

Both were in a remote area far from the Alberta border. REUTERS

Shut down

- EnCana spokesman Alan Boras told reporters that company workers noticed the leak at the intersection of two pipelines yesterday morning and the line was immediately shut down.

News in brief

ATTACK Police have killed a pit bull after the dog attacked a man in the north end. Around 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, police were called to the area of 59A Street and 157 Avenue, where they found a man being mauled by a pit bull that had broken free from its owner's yard. When police approached the dog, it let go of the man and advanced on the officers, who shot and killed it. The attacked man received only minor injuries. METRO EDMONTON

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Recount ordered in Vancouver riding

Elections Canada has ordered a judicial recount of votes in the riding of Vancouver South, where incumbent Liberal MP Ujjal Dosanjh won a close race on Tuesday's federal election. The difference between the two leading candidates was officially 33 votes. CBC NEWS ONLINE

Canada

Frankie Venom dead

Frank Kerr, lead singer of the Hamilton punk band Teenage Head, died yesterday of cancer. Kerr, better known as Frankie Venom, was 52. Teenage Head started in 1975 at Hamilton's Westdale high school. Last year, its records Teenage Head and Frantic City were included in a list of 100 of the top Canadian albums of all time by a panel of 500 experts.

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B.C. group wants tent cities

MARIA COOTAUCO
for Metro Canada

With homeless people outnumbering shelters two to one in Vancouver, local groups are urging the city to overturn a bylaw that prevents people from putting up a shelter on public property.

It happened earlier this week in Victoria when a judge found the bylaw unconstitutional because it deprived people of their rights to life, liberty and security of person.

But such a move could have big consequences for Vancouver's parks, beaches and tourism. Could a tent city turn up in Stanley Park?

"(The bylaw) absolutely is good for the parks," said Vancouver Park Board chair Korina Houghton. "That is not the purpose of our parks — they're not campgrounds."

But to some, bringing the ruling to Vancouver is an urgent priority.

"People are at risk of hypothermia and other life-threatening conditions when they have to sleep outside with no shelter," said Laura Track, a lawyer with Pivot Legal Society.

In the next few weeks, Pivot will be launching a case to prove that the same Charter rights enforced in Victoria apply here.

Yesterday, a social justice group called Streams of Justice camped out on the front lawn of Vancouver's City Hall to bring attention to the issue.

"People seem like they can be pretty comfortable with 1,500 homeless people in Vancouver as long as they're not that visible," said group spokesman Dave Diewert. "Once you start to see tents popping up all over the place in very inconvenient places, it becomes the rupture of the status quo and it says we've got to really deal with this."

RAFE ARNOTT/METRO CANADA

Jeff Crawford, 32, camps out in front of Vancouver City Hall yesterday. He said he's doing it to gain the right for the homeless, like himself, to camp in public parks after the B.C. Supreme Court ruled in favour of tent cities in Victoria.

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Dion ignored pollster's advice

POLLS Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion was warned by the party's own pollster seven weeks before launching his Green Shift plan that it was a "vote loser, not a vote winner."

Despite the confidential warning to senior campaign officials April 29 from pollster Michael Marzolini, the Dion team pressed ahead and announced the plan on June 16. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Watch Jon Stewart's take on the Canadian election at metronews.ca/canada

News in brief

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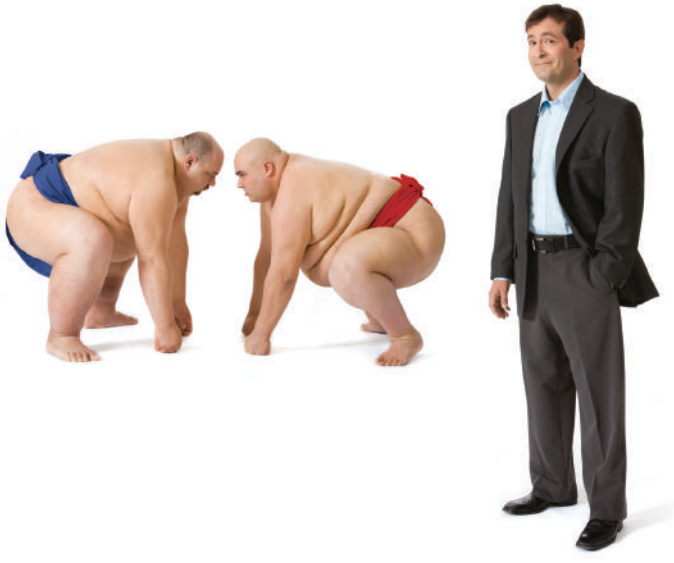

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World/Business

Afghan review delayed

A U.S. government review of strategy for the war in Afghanistan has been delayed and will likely not be completed until after next month's presidential election, the Pentagon said yesterday.

Alarmed by rising levels of insurgent violence in Afghanistan, the Bush administration began a review in September of its policies in Afghanistan and suggested results could come by the end of this month.

But Pentagon press secretary Geoff Morrell said the National Security Council review was taking longer than expected.

"We want to make sure that we fashion the best strategy to hand off to a succeeding administration," he said.

The U.S. military's Joint Staff is also reviewing strategy for Afghanistan and Pakistan, as is Gen. David Petraeus, the former U.S. commander in Iraq who soon takes charge of U.S. forces across the Middle East and into Central and South Asia.

Ultimately it will be up to the next U.S. president to take stock of the reviews and decide on an overall policy. REUTERS

Preparing for aid

- U.S. Gen. David Petraeus, who is credited with helping save Iraq from civil war, met with International Monetary Fund and World Bank last week in preparation for new efforts in Afghanistan and Pakistan

Business

Canada buys mortgages

The government-run Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp. bought $5 billion of mortgages from financial institutions yesterday, and could buy up to $25 billion in the securities.

The aim is to help banks raise funding so they can give more loans. REUTERS

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Yesterday's markets

The S&P/TSX composite index closed down 53.88 points, or 0.58 per cent, at 9,269.97. Earlier in the day the index tumbled 562.83 points, or 6 per cent, its lowest in four years.

Business in brief

ENERGY Alberta will go ahead with plans to boost oil and gas royalties at the start of 2009 despite skidding oil prices and a credit crisis hammering the industry. Albertan officials says they're open to talks with oil companies. REUTERS

News in brief

FOOD Leading crusaders against world hunger voiced frustration on World Food Day yesterday that the global financial crisis had overshadowed a food crisis tipping millions toward starvation. The World Bank has predicted that rising food and fuel prices will raise the world's malnourished population by 44 million this year to 967 million.

CHINA Premier Wen Jiabao pledged to help Pakistan overcome its economic troubles, although details of the assistance have not been disclosed, state media said yesterday. Pakistani President Asif Ali Zardari is expected to seek $500 million US or more in soft loans from its neighbour. REUTERS

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Romo could start despite broken finger

Dallas Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo was back at practice yesterday and was throwing despite a broken pinkie finger that was originally expected to keep him sidelined for a month. He has said he would like to start this weekend. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports

Sox stave off elimination

J.D. Drew, left, hit a two-run homer in the eighth inning and the game-winning RBI single in the ninth inning, and the Boston Red Sox staved off elimination by erasing a seven-run deficit with a miraculous 8-7 win over the Tampa Bay Rays in Game 5 of the American League Championship Series. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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German soccer star turns porn star

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Eva Roob was a decent soccer player in Germany's professional league for women, but she wasn't making the kind of money that satisfied her so she deemed it necessary to augment her income with a part-time job.

She became an exotic dancer.

Problem was, she'd be up and down those poles and up and down on her customers' laps all night, and often till 5 a.m., and it became awfully tiring for her since she had to be on the pitch with her soccer team for practice at 10 a.m. daily.

She realized she'd have to stop moonlighting and choose only one of the occupations — soccer or smut. She chose the latter. It pays more. Moreover, Eva's taking her career in smut to the next level as she is becoming a full-blown participant in the porn industry. Yep, the ex-soccer star has turned into a promising porn star.

Her new name: Samira Summer.

• One of the most impressive streaks in the history of television sports is about to end this weekend when NBC analyst John Madden will skip Sunday night's NFL game in Tampa Bay. Madden has not missed an NFL assignment since he started his TV career with CBS in 1980. He analyzed 476 games in a row. But, at 72, he has decided to take a midseason vacation and is allowing fellow NBC analyst Cris Collinsworth to replace him temporarily.

Madden admits he's a bit tired of travelling.

He travels on his personal bus exclusively because of his fear of flying. If he wanted, Madden could retire and live the rest of his life in luxury. He's a gazillionaire, not only because of his TV work but also because of several other enterprises, including Madden Football, the granddaddy of all sports-video games. But Madden has no plans to retire. He only wants a respite. Incidentally, U.S. presidential candidate Barack Obama is starting to appear in ads on Madden's video games.

Boston still favoured to win

• Oddsmakers have listed the Boston Celtics as 3-to-1 favourites to defend their NBA championship in the coming season. The Los Angeles Lakers' Kobe Bryant and the Cleveland Cavaliers' LeBron James are co-favourites as MVP choices. And the Miami Heat's Michael Beasley is listed as a slight favourite over Greg Oden of the Portland Trail Blazers for rookie-of-the-year honours.

Marty York on why Saturday's CFL tilt in Calgary is a must watch at metronews.ca/cflreport

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B.C. at Edmonton

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for Metro Edmonton

THE SKINNY: A victory would give the Edmonton Eskimos the season series over the B.C. Lions in a tight West Division battle for the top two spots. They already have the season series edge over the 10-5 Calgary Stampeders.

GOOD NEWS: Fresh from beating the Lions 27-20 in Vancouver last Friday to improve to 9-6, the Eskimos are expected to welcome defensive end Fred Perry back into the lineup.

THE QUOTE: "It's been unbelievable the way he's rehabbed it," coach Danny Maciocia said of Perry's return. "He did say he'd be back. That's typical player-talk as far as telling coaches they'll be back...He was clearly talking this year and not next, so a lot of the credit goes out to Fred.

MORE GOOD NEWS: It looks like running back A.J. Harris will line-up for the Esks after missing a month with a sprained MCL.

THE NUMBERS: The Esks are 6-1 at home, while the Lions are 4-3 on the road.

SCOREBOARD

MLB

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
BEST OF SEVEN
AMERICAN LEAGUE
Tampa Bay vs. Boston
LAST NIGHT'S GAME
Boston 8 Tampa Bay 7
SATURDAY, OCT. 18
Boston at Tampa Bay, 4:37
(Tampa leads series 3-2)
NATIONAL LEAGUE
Philadelphia vs. L.A. Dodgers
(Phillies win series 4-1)
x — only played if necessary.

NHL

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS
New Jersey 1 Atlanta 0
Washington 4 Pittsburgh 3
N.Y. Islanders 4 Tampa Bay 3
Minnesota 6 Florida 2
Vancouver 4 Detroit 3
St. Louis 6 Dallas 1
Colorado 5 Philadelphia 2
TONIGHT'S GAMES
Phoenix at Ottawa, 7
Toronto at N.Y. Rangers, 7
Nashville at Columbus, 7
Vancouver at Buffalo, 7:30
EDMONTON at Calgary, 9
San Jose at Anaheim, 10
Carolina at Los Angeles, 10:30

CFL

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
x-Calgary	10	5	0	20
x-EDMONTON	**9**	**6**	**0**	**18**
x-B.C.	9	6	0	18
x-Saskatchewan	9	6	0	18

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
y-Montreal	10	5	0	20
Winnipeg	6	9	0	12
Toronto	4	11	0	8
Hamilton	3	12	0	6

(x - clinched playoff spot)
(y - clinched division title)

TONIGHT'S GAME
B.C. at **EDMONTON**, 7
SATURDAY, OCT. 18
Montreal at Toronto, 1
Winnipeg at Calgary, 4:30
SUNDAY, OCT. 19
Hamilton at Saskatchewan, 1

NFL

SUNDAY, OCT. 19
Baltimore at Miami, 1
Dallas at St. Louis, 1
Minnesota at Chicago, 1
San Diego at Buffalo, 1
Tennessee at Kansas City, 1
San Francisco at N.Y. Giants, 1
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 1
New Orleans at Carolina, 1
Detroit at Houston, 4:05
N.Y. Jets at Oakland, 4:15
Cleveland at Washington, 4:15
Indianapolis at Green Bay, 4:15
Seattle at Tampa Bay, 8:15
MONDAY, OCT. 20
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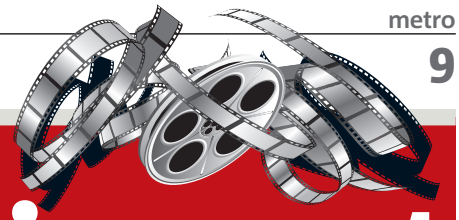

Movies&Entertainment

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Movies

Canadiana in a time of war

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It's worth noting that it's been exactly 25 years since the last time Canada attempted to make a movie set in the mud and trenches of WWI, which is precisely what Paul Gross' Passchendaele aims to do.

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Josh Brolin gives a stunning performance in W.

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New Guns N' Roses album 13 years in the making.

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Sarah McLachlan promotes new greatest hits album.

Movies

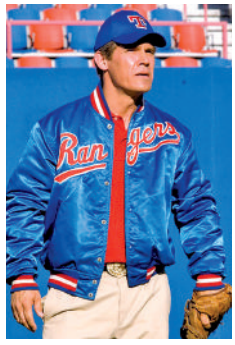
A CLASSIC; EXCELLENT; GOOD; FAIR; POOR

Stone scores a W.

W.

Director: Oliver Stone
Stars: Josh Brolin, James Cromwell, Richard Dreyfus
Classification: PG
Rating:

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada



From owner of the Texas Rangers to U.S. president, Josh Brolin's portrayal of George W. Bush in Oliver Stone's W. is impressive.

REVIEW When it was announced that Oliver Stone would be directing a film about the life of George W. Bush, it was assumed that the movie would be a slanted attack that made the president seem even worse than he's managed to do on his own. But perhaps the most surprising aspect of Stone's impressive film is just how rounded of a portrayal he's made.

Make no mistake, Stone does not present Bush as a strong leader by any stretch of the imagination, but he does at least explain how he managed to make his many mistakes in a manner that seems plausible and disturbingly relatable. Of course, Stone never could have created such a shaded portrayal without an actor capable of fully embodying the figure who has been a cultural icon for almost a decade.

Josh Brolin perfectly captures all of Bush's mannerisms without ever slipping into the realm of a Saturday Night Live impersonation. It's a truly exceptional piece of acting that solidifies Brolin's sudden rise to prominence in Hollywood.

Similar glowing comments can be made about the entire cast including Richard Dreyfus' subtly malicious Dick Cheney and Thandie Newton's chameleon-like transformation into Condoleezza Rice.

As well crafted and entertaining as the film is, it does suffer from being a little slight.

Because of Stone's passionate desire to remain as objective and truthful as possible, there's nothing particularly new or challenging suggested by the film. We already know what happened, but it is nice to see it depicted so honestly and effectively.

W. is the best thing that Oliver Stone has attached his name to in years and the movie will hopefully be a step towards rebuilding his career. It's hard to believe that a film this openly critical about a sitting president could ever be released, but if anyone deserved it, it's the eternally misunderestimated George Dub-ya.

Passchendaele disappoints

Passchendaele

Director: Paul Gross
Stars: Paul Gross, Caroline Dhavernas
Classification: 14A
Rating:

RICK MCGINNIS
Metro Canada

Paul Gross is the star, director, writer and producer of Passchendale, essentially Canada's first war movie in 25 years.

REVIEW It's worth noting that it's been exactly 25 years since the last time Canada attempted to make a movie set in the mud and trenches of the First World War.

That film — Robin Phillips' The Wars, with a screenplay by Timothy Findley based on his own novel — was ponderously bad, and a generation had to pass before we attempted the experiment again.

Paul Gross' Passchendaele puts the putative setting and subject of his film in the title, but halfway through the film, you have to wonder why truth in advertising didn't compel him to call it Calgary.

While the film's climax is indeed set during the furious 1917 battle where Canadian troops repeated the onerous task set to them months earlier at Vimy Ridge — both battles serve as bookends for the film — the bulk of the story takes place in a Calgary full of wooden sidewalks, where war fever has given way to desperate recruitment drives. Gross plays Michael Dunne, whose wounds extend to shell shock, and Caroline Dhavernas plays the pretty nurse he's fallen in love with. She also has an asthmatic younger brother (Joe Dinicol) bent on proving himself to his fiancée and her doctor father by enlisting, an ambition thwarted principally by Dunne, who's been given a job at the local recruiting office.

Thanks to a sequence of events almost farcical in their improbability, he ends up in uniform, and Dunne is forced to follow him back to the trenches just in time for the third battle of Ypres. Gross spent more than a decade writing the film, which wasn't long enough to digest the chunky stew of facts and fictional precedents embedded in its storyline: a virtual primer of Great War myths, stories and stereotypes that finally over-ripens into corn-flecked melodrama at its climax. Unfortunately, the titular battles is reduced to an afterthought to the dreary prairie drama that takes up most of the film, and serves merely to allow Gross' Dunne to become both Superman and Christ in a teetering folly of laboriously elaborated metaphor.

The small tragedy is that, while the funding labyrinth responsible for making Passchendaele is vast, there was obviously no one at any point with the simple task of asking for a rewrite that could be plausibly put in front of the cameras — a tragedy unique to Canadian cinema.

The larger tragedy is that it'll probably be another 25 years before we get another shot at making a film about Canada at war.

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Driving on empty

Sex **Drive**

Director: Sean Anders
Stars: James Marsden, Josh Zuckerman
Classification: 18A
Rating: ⊕½

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Sex Drive is like an '80s teen comedy, but with a donut costume.

Have you seen American Pie, Superbad or any other teen comedy made since 1983 where the protagonist's central aim is to get laid? Well, unless you feel the need to add "main character wears a donut costume" to that compendium, you can probably skip Sex Drive.

In this witless derivative, 18-year-old virgin Ian (Josh Zuckerman) spends his free time on the Internet pretending to be a bench-pressing jock until he finally attracts the affectionate invitation of a sexy sure thing.

Seizing the moment, Ian steals his brother's muscle car and sets out on a road trip with a platonic gal-pal and his unintentionally annoying buddy Lance — who despite looking like the love child of The Office's Dwight Schrute and Charles Nelson Reilly is portrayed as a total ladies' man. Go figure.

Along the way, the trio elude Ian's maniacally repressed older brother (James Marsden), get chased by a jilted redneck in a truck, and crash an Amish keg party featuring power-pop act Fall Out Boy. Hey, it could happen …

I suppose the film should earn some marks for at least attempting to explore areas of political-incorrectness, but in an era where an overabundance of raunchy teen romps have only risen expectations, Sex Drive is too trite to make a dent in the genre.

Simply put, to say this film plays to the MTV-set isn't just overstating the obvious, it's a warning: Every gimmick in Sex Drive is so manufactured to seem genuinely quirky, it all comes off solicitous and as counterfeit and provocative as a Weird Al Yankovic music video.

Big, brash and to the Max

Max **Payne**

Director: John Moore
Stars: Mark Wahlberg
Classification: 14A
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕½

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Mark Wahlberg and Mila Kunis star in Max Payne.

REVIEW Doom. Hitman. Postal. These are just a few of the filmic examples of why producers are taking a fairly big chance with Max Payne, the latest hit video game-turned-Hollywood blockbuster.

Computer games have indeed had a tough time making the cinematic jump so will Payne finally redeem a genre of unfulfilling dreck?

As the title character, Mark Wahlberg is an angry, maverick cop who is determined to find the savages who killed his wife and child.

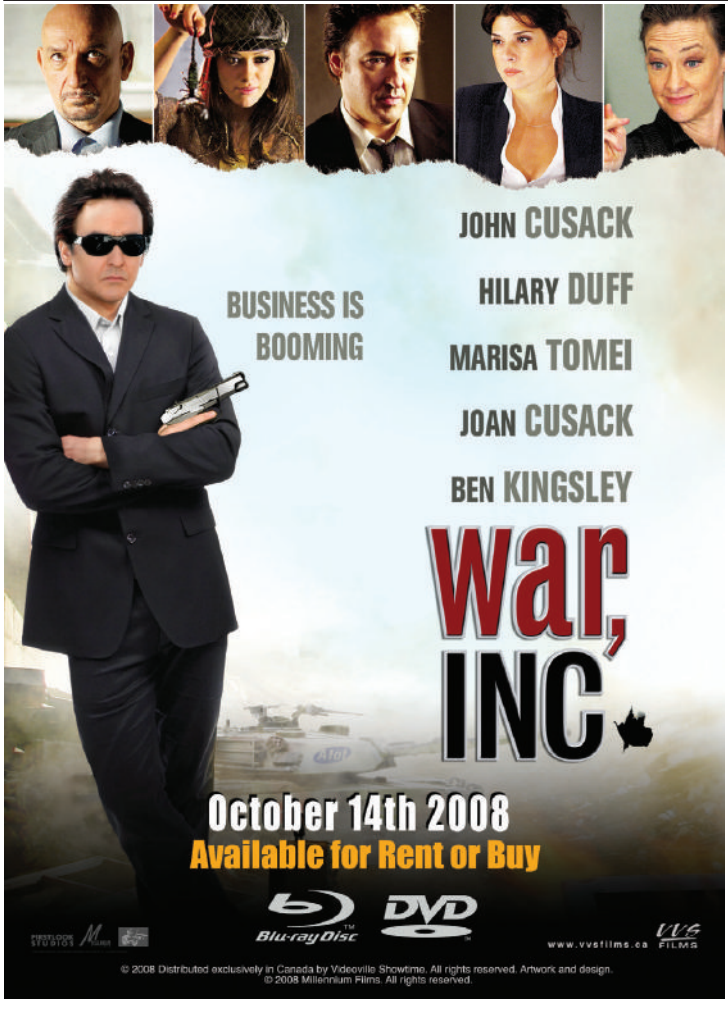
Shirking his civic duty, Payne conspires with a sexy assassin — Mila Kunis of That '70s Show — and discovers a dark underworld that may be connected to otherworldly demons.

Got that? Good, because if I told you anymore, I'd be spoiling the plot, which is perhaps this movie's main weakness.

First, let's be honest — this is no BloodRayne. But, like many of these adaptations, video games generally don't make great narratives because they're simply not structured stories.

Sure, they can have depth, character and background but as Paul Arendt of Britain's The Guardian once wrote, they're "engines designed for the pleasure of problem solving." This thriller follows suit in the respect that it certainly seems overly focused on Payne and his quest. By doing so, other aspects (the central plot twist for instance) are too obvious and unembellished.

That said, Payne knows its limitations and makes no apologies. Further, and maybe most importantly, this movie is big, brash and perhaps better than any other video game adaptation out there.



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Reel Time

A CLASSIC; EXCELLENT; GOOD; FAIR; POOR

Not much to buzz about in Secret Life of Bees

Secret Life **of Bees**

Director: Gina Prince-Bythewood
Stars: Queen Latifah, Dakota Fanning, Jennifer Hudson
Classification: 14A
Rating: ½

STEVE VEALE
for Metro Canada

Queen Latifah and Dakota Fanning star in Secret Life of Bees.

REVIEW What to do with The Secret Life of Bees? There are two distinct ways to look at Bees. The first is that it is heartfelt, sincere and a true tearjerker of a story.

It's pretty obvious why the original Sue Monk Kidd novel was chosen as an official Oprah book club selection.

In a more cynical (realistic?) vein, some may consider the film maudlin, trite and completely over-the-top manipulative — with screenwriter-director Gina Prince-Bythewood pulling out every emotional zinger in the movie book.

In the movie, Lily Owens (Dakota Fanning), a young white girl growing up in 1964 southern segregation, leaves her brutish father's house to find a peaceful home life with the Boatwright family, three strong black women named after the months of May, June and August.

An almost unrecognizable Paul Bettany gives a powerhouse performance as the loutish father of 14-year-old Lily.

Jennifer Hudson provides solid support as Rosaleen, while Sophie Okonedo will honestly break your heart as her damaged sister.

Sailing documentary seaworthy

Morning **Light**

Director: Paul Crowder, Mark Monroe
Classification: G
Rating:

RICK MCGINNIS
Metro Canada

Morning Light follows a group of young adults as they sail from Los Angeles to Hawaii.

If reality TV had a noble bone in its body, it would probably look like Morning Light, the story of a group of young people racing a sailboat halfway across the Pacific Ocean.

The ingredients are all there — a national competition for entrance, a final selection of just over a dozen finalists, and a further winnowing down after that for a place on the boat, followed by the trial of endurance and skill of the TRANSPAC sailboat race from Los Angeles to Hawaii.

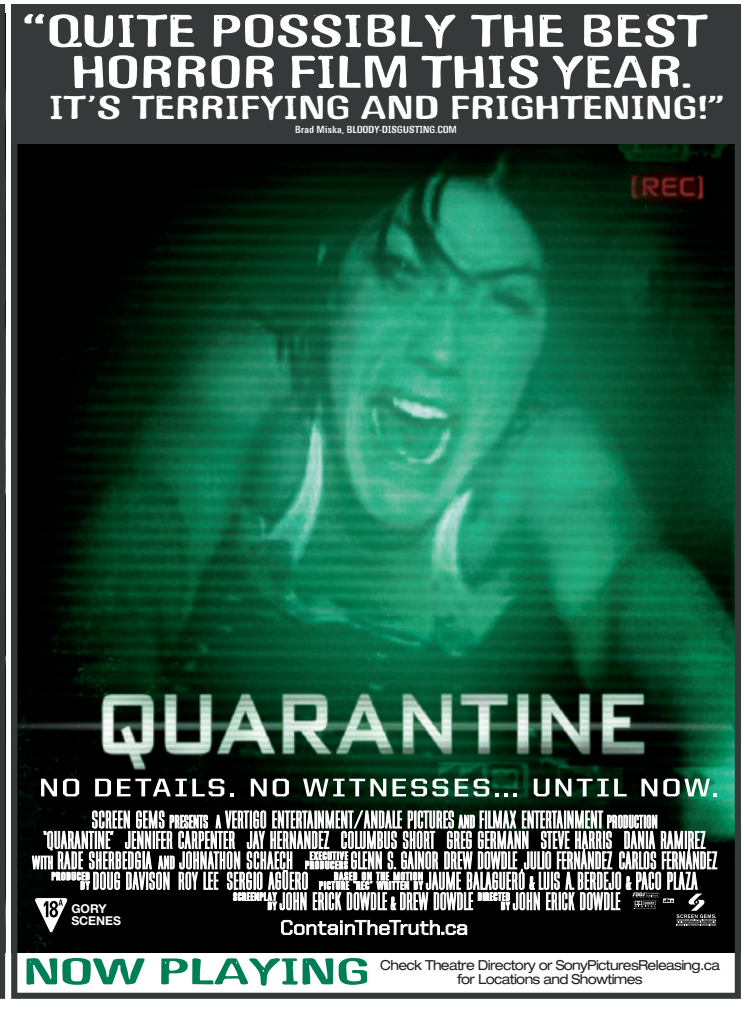
The big difference is that the bitchiness and backstabbing that fuels reality television is entirely absent, replaced by a camaraderie and unity of purpose that initially feels suspicious — even alien — if you've allowed yourself to be conditioned to look at human interaction in front of a camera as Darwinian theory pantomimed by high school cliques.

The movie's producers, which include Roy Disney, who bought the sleek racing boat that the young crew takes to sea, were eager to avoid the false drama and cynical mood of reality TV, and they've succeeded.

In the process, they remind us that relatively normal human beings thrust into extraordinary situations is usually drama enough. The 15 college-age men and women who head out into the open ocean are hard to dislike — accomplished and ambitious, they have exactly the sort of leadership potential that needs to be discovered and encouraged.

Their courage and teamwork is as pleasant to watch as the scenery and spectacle around them, captured using the sorts of video technology that was unheard of even a decade ago.

Even if you have no interest in ocean sailing — or especially in thoughts of sleepless days and nights on the open sea — Morning Light combines adventure with an optimism that feels disarming in a cynical time.



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New releases are in red.

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Body of Lies (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Fri-Thu 12:45-3:35-6:45-9:35

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Sun 1:10-3:50-6:40-9:25 Mon 1:10-3:50-6:40 Tue-Thu 1:10-3:50-6:40-9:25

The Express (PG) DTS Digital Fri-Sun 12:30-3:20-6:30-9:10 DTS Digital Mon 12:30 DTS Digital Tue-Wed 12:30-6:30 DTS Digital Thu 12:30

Max Payne (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 12:40-3-6:55-9:30

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) DTS Digital Fri-Sun 1:15-3:25-7:15-9:50 DTS Digital Mon-Thu 3:25-9:50

Passchendaele (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 12:55-4-6:35-9:15

Quarantine (18A) DTS Digital Fri-Thu 1-3:10-7-9:20

The Secret Life of Bees (PG) DTS Digital Fri-Thu 1:20-3:45-7:10-9:45

W. (STC) Digital Presentation, DTS Digital Fri-Thu 12:35-3:30-6:50-9:40

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An American Carol (PG) Fri-Thu 9:10

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Fri 4:30-7:05-9:15 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:30-7:05-9:15 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:05-9:15

Body of Lies (14A) No Passes Fri 3:50-6:40-9:25 No Passes Sat-Sun 1-3:50-6:40-9:25 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:40-9:25

City of Ember (PG) Fri 4:25-7 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:25-7 Mon-Thu 4:25-7

Eagle Eye (14A) Digital Presentation Fri 4:10-6:55-9:35 Digital Presentation Sat-Sun 1:30-4:10-6:55-9:35 Digital Presentation Mon-Thu 4:10-6:55-9:35

The Express (PG) Fri 3:40-6:30-9:20 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:40-6:30-9:20 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:30-9:20

Max Payne (14A) Fri 4:40-7:15-9:50 Sat-Sun 2-4:40-7:15-9:50 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:15-9:50

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri 4:35-6:50-9 Sat-Sun 1:50-4:35-6:50-9 Mon-Thu 4:35-6:50-9

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Sex Drive (18A) Fri 4:20-7:10-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:45-4:20-7:10-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:10-9:40

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River of Life (STC) Sun 2

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Death Race (14A) Fri-Sat 1:50-4:45-7:25-9:55-12:15 Sun-Thu 1:50-4:45-7:25-9:55

Get Smart (PG) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:35-7:10-9:40

Hancock (PG) Fri-Thu 2:05-4:50-7:30-10:05

The House Bunny (PG) Fri-Sat 2-4:55-7:40-10-12:20 Sun-Thu 2-4:55-7:40-10

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Mamma Mia! (PG) Fri-Sat 1:40-4:15-7:05-9:35-11:55 Sun-Thu 1:40-4:15-7:05-9:35

The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor (PG) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:25-6:55

Pineapple Express (18A) Fri-Sat 1:25-4:20-7:20-9:50-12:10 Sun-Thu 1:25-4:20-7:20-9:50

Star Wars: The Clone Wars (PG) Fri-Sat 1:20-4:10-6:50-9:15-11:30 Sun-Thu 1:20-4:10-6:50-9:15

Step Brothers (14A) Fri-Sat 1:35-4:40-7:15-9:40-12 Sun-Thu 1:35-4:40-7:15-9:40

WALL-E (G) Fri-Sat 1:30-4:30-7-9:25-11:40 Sun-Thu 1:30-4:30-7-9:25

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Body of Lies Fri-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri-Thu 12:40-2:50-5:10-7:45-10:35

City of Ember (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-7

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:40-7:30-10:20

The Express (PG) Fri-Thu 3:30-9:20

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Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4-6:45-9:10

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Sex Drive (18A) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:20-7:25-10

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Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:15

Eagle Eye: The IMAX Experience (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-9:45

Lakeview Terrace Fri-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:15

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Appaloosa (14A) Fri 12:50-5:05-7:50-10:30 Sat 5-7:50-10:30 Sun-Thu 12:50-5-7:50-10:30

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Fri-Thu 12:20-2:40-5-7:20-9:40

Bleach: Memories of Nobody (14A) Mon 7-9:45

Body of Lies Fri-Thu 1:15-4:10-7:10-10:20

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri-Sun 1:45-4:10-6:40-9:20 Mon 1:45-4:10-9:20 Tue 1:45-4:10-6:40-9:20 Wed 1:45-4:10-9:20 Thu 1:45-4:10-6:40-9:20

Cirque du Soleil: Delirium (G) Sat 1

City of Ember (PG) Fri-Thu 12-2:20-4:30

The Dark Knight (PG) Fri-Thu 9:20

The Duchess Fri-Thu 1:20-3:50-6:50-9:30

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:20-7:30-10:30

The Express (PG) Fri-Tue 12:30-3:20-7-9:50 Wed 12:30-3:20-9:50 Thu 12:30-3:20-7-9:50

Fall HD Concert Series: From The Basement Series 3 (STC) Wed 6:45-9:30

Max Payne (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:30-4:20-6:50-7:40-9:30-10:20

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist Fri-Wed 1:20-3:40-7:20-9:40 Thu 1:20-3:40-9:40

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:40-6:40

Passchendaele (14A) Fri-Mon 1-4-7-10 Tue 4-7-10 Wed-Thu 1-4-7-10 Star & Strollers Tue 1

Quarantine (18A) Fri-Tue 1:10-3:30-7:45-10 Wed 1:10-3:30-7:50-10 Thu 1:10-3:30-7:20-10

Religulous (14A) Fri-Sun 1:45-4:15-7:30-9:50 Mon 1:45-4:15-6:40 Tue 1:45-4:15-7:30-9:50 Wed 1:45-4:15-6:40 Thu 1:45-4:15-7:30-9:50

Sex Drive (18A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:50-7:40-10:10

W. (STC) Fri-Mon 12:40-4:15-7:10-10:10 Tue 4:15-7:10-10:10 Wed-Thu 12:40-4:15-7:10-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening Tue 12:40

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The Alps (STC) Sat-Sun 2

Amazon (STC) Mon 1:30 Thu 12:30

Beavers (STC) Tue 9:30

Bugs! (STC) Mon 9:30 Wed 10:30

Coral Reef Adventure (G) Fri 4-8 Sat-Sun 12-4-8 Mon 11:30 Tue 1:30

Dinosaurs 3D: Giants of Patagonia (STC) Sat-Sun 1-3

Dinosaurs Alive! (STC) Fri 1:30 Tue 12:30 Thu 10:30

Greece: Secrets of the Past (STC) Mon 12:30 Tue 11:30

The Human Body (STC) Wed 1:30 Thu 9:30

Hurricane on the Bayou (STC) Fri 9:30 Tue 10:30 Thu 11:30

Mummies: Secrets of the Pharaohs (STC) Fri 10:30-3-7-9 Sat 11-5-7-9 Sun 11-5-7 Mon-Wed 3 Thu 3-7

Mystic India IMAX (STC) Fri 11:30 Wed 9:30

Space Station (G) Mon 10:30 Wed 12:30

Whales: An Unforgettable Journey (STC) Fri 12:30 Wed 11:30 Thu 1:30

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The Duchess (14A) DTS Digital Fri 7-9:25 DTS Digital Sat-Sun 1:05-3:45-7-9:25 DTS Digital Mon-Thu 7-9:25

Max Payne (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 7:10-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Sun 12:55-3:35-7:10-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 7:10-9:45

Passchendaele (14A) DTS Digital Fri 6:40-9:20 DTS Digital Sat-Sun 12:35-3:15-6:40-9:20 DTS Digital Mon-Thu 6:40-9:20

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Priestley to drop by My Name is Earl
Actor Jason Priestley will play Brandon, Earl's better-looking and more successful cousin, in a guest spot on the NBC show My Name is Earl. TVGUIDE.COM

Television

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From left: Joel Cochrane, Ryan Luhning and Sean Bowie, members of the cast of Cocktales, clown around yesterday in a washroom.

Men baring it all

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Three guys from Calgary are giving their most shameful organs a collective voice.

True to its namesake, Cocktales is just that, a journey into the largely unexplored world of male genitalia, told by regular guys.

Ladies, before rolling your eyes and turning the page, the big brains behind the production on men's little brains want to set the record straight — there's a lot about the penis you don't know.

"We're instilled at a very young age that we shouldn't touch it, shouldn't play with it, and all these mixed messages that people get about their sexuality that it's bad and it's dirty," said actor and producer Ryan Luhning.

In the two-hour live performance, the guys will literally bare it all, bust some misconceptions and reveal the truth, with stories that run the gamut of shame, confusion, disgust and pride in their middle appendage.

> **"There are a lot of things you would expect us to be talking about, but there's a lot of vulnerability in the show and a lot of moments that expose men that people would often not hear men talk about."**
> Ryan Luhning

The show, which was born in 2001, was inspired by the success of the Vagina Monologues — but with a slight bend, hanging low and to the left.

"It's much more inspired," said actor and producer Sean Bowie. "The Vagina Monologues gives it context, in that they're monologues about the (penis)."

"How much do guys sit around and talk about their penises? We don't," Luhning said. "We rarely even talk to our doctors, so we had no idea how people were going to respond."

In fact, the response has been huge — enough to keep the show running with a captive audience for seven years.

"There are a lot of things you would expect us to be talking about, but there's a lot of vulnerability in the show and a lot of moments that expose men that people would often not hear men talk about," Luhning said.

Cocktales runs from Oct. 23 through 26 at the Myer Horowitz theatre. Tickets are $39.50, available through Ticketmaster.

U.S. version of TV Guide changes hands for $1

I'D BUY THAT FOR A DOLLAR: And somebody did – a Beverly Hills-based private equity firm called OpenGate Capital, which paid copyprotection giant Macrovision precisely $1 US for TV Guide magazine, apparently just for its digital assets.

According to Advertising Age magazine, Macrovision has also given OpenGate a $9.5 million loan at 3 per cent interest to get the magazine back in the black, a deal that would be sweet even if financial markets weren't so unstable. Gemstar, TV Guide's last owner, admitted that the magazine lost $20.3 million in 2007, and yes, I'm as confused about the math here as you are.

What the deal actually accomplishes for Macrovision is the simple but fiscally beneficial task of wiping the magazine's losses and debts from its books, as well as its responsibilities to TV Guide's 3 million U.S. subscribers. TV Guide's digital assets – its interactive program guide and relationship with cable providers – were all that Macrovision really wanted, and Ad Age reported that they'll be selling the TV Guide Channel separately.

The Canadian edition of TV Guide is owned by Transcontinental Media, which ceased publishing its print edition nearly two years ago, after the magazine had changed size and reduced its six editions to just two. It became an online magazine, its articles and scheduling grid hosted by the Sympatico Network, a rare case of a Canadian business seeing the future more clearly than their U.S. counterpart.

OpenGate managing partner Andrew Nikou told Ad Age that they're "investing in this company to take it to the next stage," though what that would be remains anyone's guess, since it seems that they're going to burn through Macrovision's loan in less than six months if Gemstar's dismal numbers hold true. As for Macrovision, the long-term value of an TV onscreen program guide is debatable as programming moves away from a calendar to a marketplace menu.

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GORILLA MY HEART: You have to stand up and take notice of a show like Britain's The Missing Link, which will send a carefully chosen group of humans to live in the jungles of Uganda like apes. The buzz show at the recent Mipcom media convention, it was sold with the slogan, "We share over 98 per cent of our DNA. Can you see the difference?" Since adult gorillas' upper-body strength is six times that of humans, here's hoping no one takes their simian cousin's banana and ends up being beaten to death with their own leg, though it's hard to imagine the producers would consider this entirely unattractive.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

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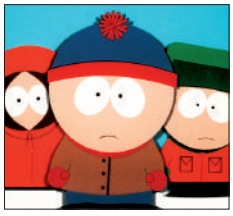
Housewives actor awaits medical tests

Desperate Housewives' Gale Harold is in critical condition with a fractured shoulder and awaiting further tests after suffering injuries in a motorcycle accident Tuesday, a spokeswoman for USC Medical Center in Los Angeles said. TVGUIDE.COM

Beijing Olympics inspires South Park episode



South Park

Air date: Today
Network: Comedy

THE SECOND HALF of season 12 of South Park premieres tonight with The China Problem, an episode that's become infamous since it debuted just over a week ago on Comedy Central in the United States. The main plot, inspired by the Beijing Olympics, is probably offensive enough, but a subplot involving filmmakers George Lucas and Steven Spielberg and the "squeal like a pig" scene from Deliverance might be the most disturbing thing South Park creators Trey Parker and Matt Stone have done yet.

Rick's TV**Picks**

MuchMoreMusic Live

Air date: Saturday
Network: MuchMoreMusic

SINGER SARAH MCLACHLAN, a perfectly nice person from what we've heard, endures the machinery of record promotion with this live appearance promoting her new greatest hits album, Closer: The Best of Sarah McLachlan. If you really have an appetite to endure awkward ritual, you can watch her on Live@etalk the day before, pretending to be charmed by host Ben Mulroney.

Lagerfeld Confidential

Air date: Tuesday
Network: Fashion Television

THIS PORTRAIT of legendary fashion designer Karl Lagerfeld will attempt the considerable feat of trying to find some normalcy in the life of a hothouse self-creation in the most artificial industry known to man. Filmed over such an extended period that film gave way to video footage, it should at least have the salutary effect of making viewers grateful for the small comforts of banality in their lives.

• Please check local listings for shows' air times.

The Dolphin Dealer — The Doc Zone

Air date: Thursday
Network: CBC

DOCUMENTARIES have two purposes, based on my observations: to inform and educate, and to give you this persistent, icky feeling of guilt that won't go away for days. There should be plenty of that with this film about the business of providing dolphins for Aquariums and water parks, right down to the eponymous dealer of the film's title, who claims his trade has at least convinced Solomon Islanders to capture the charming mammals alive instead of hunting them for their teeth.

— RICK MCGINNIS/METRO CANADA

CBS orders more Mentalist

SERIES CBS' new drama series The Mentalist has been picked up for a full season.

The show, which stars Simon Baker as an investigator who uses his paranormal abilities to solve crimes, has emerged as one of the most promising new series this fall, as well as being a good fit for CBS' Tuesday crime lineup.

The pickup, adding nine episodes for a full-season order, comes on the heels of The Mentalist's third airing Tuesday. The show has averaged 16.1 million viewers and a 3.8 rating/9 share in adults age 18-49, ranking as the top program in the Tuesday 9 p.m. time slot.

REUTERS

Metro's 7th Heaven Will return

FRIDAY

ED	C	B	S	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
10/17/08 primetime	2 CFRN	239	318	etalk	Hollywood	Without a Trace (N)		Ghost Whisperer (N)		Supernanny (N)		News (N)
	3 KHQ	-	370	News (N)	Be-Millionaire	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel-Fortune	Crusoe "Rum and Gunpowder" (N)				Life (N)
	4 CBXT	-	307	Coronation St.	Jeopardy! (N)	Air Farce-Final	Rick Mercer	Doctor Who (N)		CBC News: The National		The Hour
	6 KREM	-	372	News (N)	Hollywood	The Doctors (N)		Ghost Whisperer (N)		The Ex List (HDTV) (N)		NUMB3RS
	7 CKEM	241	347	Law & Order: SVU		Biography		Crusoe "Rum and Gunpowder" (N)				Your City
	8 CITV	240	339	ET Canada	Entertainment	Life "Crushed" (N)		NUMB3RS "Blowback"		The Ex List (HDTV) (N)		News Hour
	12 CBXFT	119	705	Du coeur au ventre (SC)		Paquet voleur (HDTV) (SC)		Une heure sur Terre (N) (SC)		Le Téléjournal (N) (SC)		TJ Alberta
	13 KXLY	-	371	4 News at 6	4 News at 6:30	Entertainment	The Insider (N)	Wife Swap (N)		Supernanny (N)		20/20 (N)
	16 KAYU	-	373	MLB Baseball: NLCS Game 6 -- Dodgers at Phillies				Malcolm-Mid.	According-Jim	King of the Hill	The Simpsons	News (N)
	19 CHTV	-	-	The Insider (N)	E News	20/20 (HDTV) (N)		Inside Hollywood		Deal or No Deal		News (N)
	22 KSPS	-	374	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer		Wash. Week	McLaughlin	Bill Moyers Journal (N)		NOW on PBS	Being Served	Vicar of Dibley
news	15 CBCN	502	-	CBC News: The National		CBC News: the fifth estate		CBC News: The National		CBC News: The National		fifth estate
	54 CTVN	501	391	CTV Newsnet		News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News
sports	20 TSN	400	400	CFL Football BC Lions at Edmonton Eskimos. (HDTV) (Live)						SportsCentre	UEFA Weekly	Morning Light
	23 net	408	418	NHL Hockey Edmonton Oilers at Calgary Flames. (Live)					Sportsnet Con.	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Ult. Fighter
	47 SPEED	417	406	(5) Barrett-Jackson Automobile Auction From Las Vegas. (Live)						Preview	Formula 1 Debrief (N)	
	94 SCORE	410	403	(6) WWE SmackDown!		Score Tonight		Hardcore Hockey Talk		WWE SmackDown!		
family	14 YTV	552	543	The Mighty B!	iCarly	*A Cinderella Story* ★★ (2004, Romance-Comedy) Hilary Duff.				Smallville		Dark Oracle
	17 TREE	553	546	Little Bear	Miss Spider	Big Comfy	Rolie Polie Olie	Berenstain	Dragon	Backyardigans	Dora-Explorer	Go, Diego, Go!
	45 FAM	557	541	Zoey 101	Latest Buzz	Wizards-Place	*The Little Vampire* ★★ (2000, Adventure)			*Don't Look Under the Bed* (1999, Fantasy)		
cable variety	25 A&E	615	520	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami "The Oath"		Criminal Minds (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami
	29 FOOD	603	561	Chef Abroad	The Wild Chef	Diner, Drive-In	Diner, Drive-In	Restaurant Makeover		Challenge Birthday cake.		Chef Abroad
	32 DISC	520	505	Man vs. Wild (N)		Mummy Who Would Be King		Daily Planet		Man vs. Wild		Greensburg
	38 SPIKE	628	584	UFC Unleashed		MANswers	MANswers	MANswers	MANswers	MANswers	MANswers	GameTrailers
	43 SPACE	627	528	Supernatural (HDTV)		Torchwood "Fragments"		(9:05) *Psycho III* ★★ (1986, Suspense), Jeff Fahey				(11:05) *Wolf*
	50 STAR	621	56	At the Movies	Star-at Movies	The Tonight Show-Jay Leno		TMZ	etalk	Celebrity Rehab With Dr. Drew		Hollywood

SATURDAY

ED	C	B	S	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
10/18/08 primetime	2 CFRN	239	318	W-FIVE		Law & Order: SVU		Criminal Minds (HDTV)		CSI: NY "Admissions"		News (N)
	3 KHQ	-	370	News (N)	Raymond	CSI: NY "Tri-Borough"		America's Toughest Jobs (N)		My Own Worst Enemy		Law/Ord SVU
	4 CBXT	-	307	NHL Hockey		NHL Hockey Calgary Flames at Edmonton Oilers. (HDTV) (Live)					HNIC -- After Hours	
	6 KREM	-	372	News (N)	Scrubs	Political Debate 5th District.		Criminal Minds (HDTV)		CSI: NY "Admissions"		48 Hr. Mystery
	7 CKEM	241	347	Survivorman (DVS)		Kaya	Less-Kind	Test of Will: Canada in Korea				The City Show
	8 CITV	240	339	Disasters of the Century		Turning Points of History		Painkiller Jane		Kenny-Spenny	Trailer Park	News (N)
	12 CBXFT	119	705	Le Moment de vérité (SC)		3600 secondes d'extase (SC)		Dre Grey, leçons d'anatomie		Le Téléjournal (N) (SC)		*Au plus*
	13 KXLY	-	371	(6) College Football Missouri at Texas. (HDTV) (Live)					Explorer TV	Inside Edition	The Insider (N)	Ent. Tonight
	16 KAYU	-	373	MLB Baseball: NLCS Game 7 -- Dodgers at Phillies				Boston Legal		House "Poison"		News (N)
	19 CHTV	-	-	E News	The Soup (N)	Behind-Scenes	Behind-Scenes	Dr. 90210 (N)		Forbes Top 15 Supermodels		E News
	22 KSPS	-	374	The Lawrence Welk Show		May-December	Time Goes By	*The Great Escape* ★★★★ (1963, War) Steve McQueen, James Garner.				
news	15 CBCN	502	-	Sat. Report	Mansbridge	Doc Zone "Omar Khadr"		Sat. Report	Weekend	Sat. Report	Mansbridge	Doc Zone
	54 CTVN	501	391	CTV Newsnet-Scott Laurie		News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News
sports	20 TSN	400	400	CFL Football	SportsCentre	SportsCentre (HDTV) (Live)			Inning By Inning:	Portrait of A Coach (HDTV) (N)		
	23 net	408	418	MLB Baseball: NLCS Game 7 -- Dodgers at Phillies					Sportsnet Con.	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Poker
	47 SPEED	417	406	(4) Barrett-Jackson Automobile Auction From Las Vegas. (Live)						NASCAR Racing: Craftsman Truck Series		
	94 SCORE	410	403	Score Update	Footy Show	X-Fighters		BodogFight		Strikeforce		Score on NFL
family	14 YTV	552	543	Adrenaline	Mystery Hnt.	Wolverine	Transformers	Naruto	Blue Dragon	Zatch Bell (N)	Bleach	Storm Hawks
	17 TREE	553	546	Beren. Bears	Toopy & Binoo	Comfy Couch	Little Bear	Toy Castle	Dragon (DVS)	Backyardigans	Dora-Explorer	Go, Diego, Go!
	45 FAM	557	541	Natural-Sadie	Flight 29 Down	That's-Raven	Zoey 101	Life Derek	Han. Montana	*Air Bud: Golden Receiver* ★ (1998)		
cable variety	25 A&E	615	520	CSI: Miami "Driven"		The Sopranos "Kaisha"		The Sopranos		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami
	29 FOOD	603	561	Dinner: Impossible		Kitchen Nightmares		The F Word		Challenge		Dinner Imposs.
	32 DISC	520	505	Verminators		Criss Angel	Criss Angel	A Haunting		Verminators		Criss Angel
	38 SPIKE	628	584	Ultimate Fighting Championship 89: Bisping vs. Leben (HDTV) (N)						MANswers	UFC 89 Bisping vs Leben	
	43 SPACE	627	528	Fringe "Power Hungry"		*Dawn of the Dead* ★★★ (2004, Horror) Sarah Polley, Ving Rhames.					*Thirteen Ghosts* ★ (2001)	
	50 STAR	621	56	Paris Hilton's My New BFF		America's Next Top Model (N)		Fabulous Life	Old Skool	TMZ		Paris Hilton

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	3 KHQ	-	370	(6:15) NFL Football Seattle Seahawks at Tampa Bay Buccaneers.					Best Sports	Law & Order: SVU		CSI: NY
	4 CBXT	-	307	Heartland "Gift Horse"		*Bon Cop, Bad Cop* (2006, Comedy) Colm Feore.				CBC News: Sunday Night (N)		fifth estate
	6 KREM	-	372	News (N)	Up Front	60 Minutes (HDTV) (N)		The Amazing Race 13		Cold Case "Roller Girl"		The Unit
	7 CKEM	241	347	Murdoch	Friends	Easy Money (HDTV) (N)		Valentine "Act Naturally"		Privileged		Reviews
	8 CITV	240	339	renegadepress	The Simpsons	Brothers & Sisters (N)		The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy (N)	American Dad	News (N)
	12 CBXFT	119	705	Découverte	Et Dieu créa	Tout le monde en parle (HDTV) (SC)				(10:15) Le Téléjournal (SC)		SMASH (SC)
	13 KXLY	-	371	News	Storm Stories	Funniest Home Videos		Extreme Makeover: Home		Desperate Housewives		Brothers
	16 KAYU	-	373	House "DNR"		To Be Announced		The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy (N)	American Dad	News (N)
	19 CHTV	-	-	Instant Beauty Pageant		Hollywood's 12 Sexiest Jobs		Extreme Makeover: Home		Real Housewives of OC		FANatical
	22 KSPS	-	374	Spain ... On the Road Again		Nature (HDTV) (DVS)		Masterpiece Contemporary (N)		Ventures	Mystery! (DVS)	
news	15 CBCN	502	-	CBC News: Sunday Night (N)		Jesus Politics (N)			Our World	CBC News: Sunday Night		Jesus Politics
	54 CTVN	501	391	CTV Newsnet-Scott Laurie		News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News
sports	20 TSN	400	400	(6:15) NFL Football Seattle Seahawks at Tampa Bay Buccaneers.					SportsCentre		ATP Tennis: Masters Madrid	
	23 net	408	418	MLB Baseball: ALCS Game 7 -- Red Sox at Rays				Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Ult. Fighter
	47 SPEED	417	406	Wind Tunnel-Despain		Pinks -- All Out (HDTV)		Wrecked	Wrecked	Wrecked	Wrecked	101 Cars-Drive
	94 SCORE	410	403	Strikeforce		Poker Pacific Poker UK Open.		Poker -- Learn From the Pros		Final Score	Final Score	Final Score
family	14 YTV	552	543	*Monster House* ★★★ (2006, Fantasy) Steve Buscemi.				SpongeBob	Prank Patrol	The Next Star		Falcon Beach
	17 TREE	553	546	Rolie Polie Olie	Mighty Mach	Bucket-Dinos	Toy Castle	Tipi Tales	Dragon (DVS)	Backyardigans	Dora-Explorer	Go, Diego, Go!
	45 FAM	557	541	Natural-Sadie	Flight 29 Down	That's-Raven	Zoey 101	Life Derek	Han. Montana	*Zenon: The Zeguel* (2001, Science Fiction)		
cable variety	25 A&E	615	520	CSI: Miami "Ambush"		CSI: Miami "All In"		The Cleaner (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami
	29 FOOD	603	561	Iron Chef America		Jamie's Kitchen Australia		Chef School	At the Table	Challenge		Iron Chef Am.
	32 DISC	520	505	Tornado Rampage (N)		MythBusters (N)		Anthony Bourdain		Raging Nature		Tornado Ramp.
	38 SPIKE	628	584	*Star Wars IV: A New Hope* ★★★★ (1977, Science Fiction) Mark Hamill, Carrie Fisher.						*Star Wars IV: A New Hope* ★★★★ (1977)		
	43 SPACE	627	528	*Halloween III: Season of the Witch* ★★ (1982, Horror)				(9:15) *Amityville II: The Possession* ★★ (1982, Horror) Burt Young.				
	50 STAR	621	56	Look-A-Like	Star-at Movies	Girl Next Door	etalk	Scoring With the Stars		The Ellen DeGeneres Show (N)		Girl Next Door

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1. Tell Tale Signs: The Bootleg Series Vol. 8, Bob Dylan, left; **2.** Little Honey, Lucinda Williams; **3.** Death Magnetic, Metallica; **4.** Covers, James Taylor; **5.** Gossip In The Grain, Ray LaMontagne. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Music

Barber takes chance

Female vocalists of the 1950s inspire singer's new album

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

It's a starry night and you're walking down Main Street with your best gal. She's just said she'll go steady with you and you think that's pretty neat-o. You swing over to the diner to grab a pair of malts and a sweet voice serenades you from the jukebox within.

It's not Doris, Patti or Patsy. It's Canada's own Jill Barber.

The vocal trills and full orchestration contained on her new album, Chances, recalls romantic themes and sounds typical of 1950s female vocalists. While the release is an obvious diversion from her typically folksy sound, Barber contends she's taken her own chance in hopes of reviving history.

"It's not going to be up everybody's alley and that's OK," she says. "Everywhere I look, I hear old music being played. Rather than playing the same old records all the time, I'm trying to write some new music that captures the quality of that old music."

Barber doesn't only make her attempt through song writing and vocal emulation of her own idols like Patsy Cline and Etta James. She says the "vintage quality" attributed to the songs on Chances also lies in the way the record was made.

"We were very deliberate in deciding that we wanted to just go the whole way and produce it the way they used to make albums with real, full string sections, horns and full orchestration," she says.

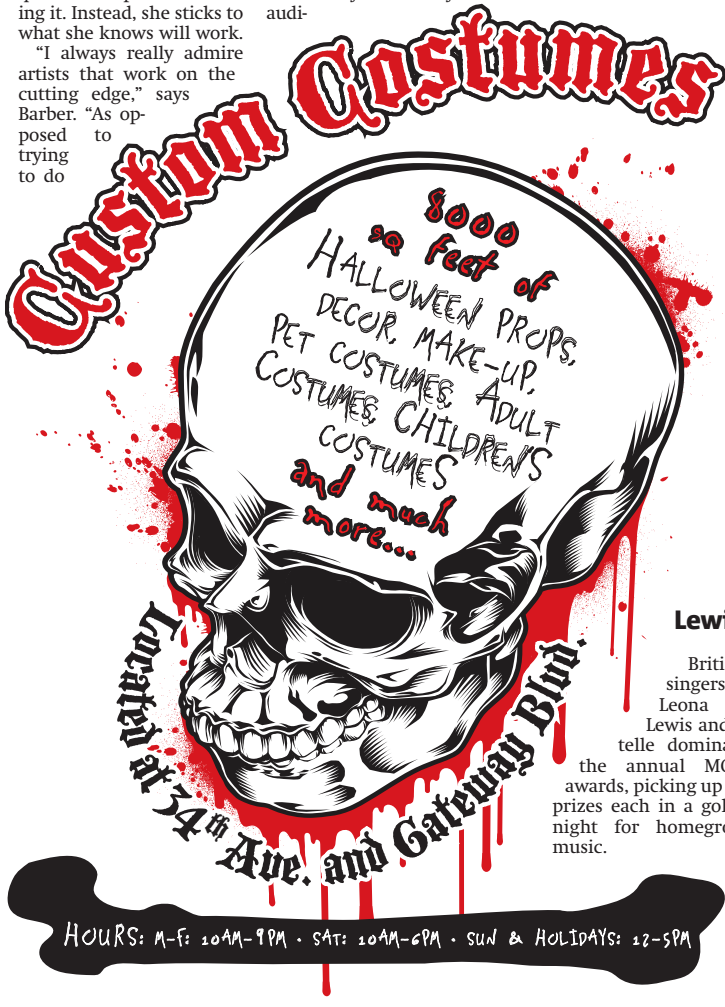
It's important to Barber to hold on to the strings of what used to be. "I would hate to see it fall to the wayside," she says. Although she admires modern, electronic music being made, she says she's never quite felt capable of making it. Instead, she sticks to what she knows will work.

"I always really admire artists that work on the cutting edge," says Barber. "As opposed to trying to do something that's very current and very hip and modern, I look back to the classics to what has stood the test of time."

And while one must question the loyalty of an artist's fans when she so evidently changes direction, Barber says the only audience she's ever had in mind is anybody who is interested.

She's more concerned with how her albums will stack up over time. "As long as the art of the album exists, then I would like each one to stand on its own."

Jill Barber's new album, Chances, recalls romantic themes and sounds typical of 1950s female vocalists. It is now in stores.



Lewis, Estelle nab MOBOs

British singers Leona Lewis and Estelle dominated the annual MOBO awards, picking up two prizes each in a golden night for homegrown music.

Estelle was named best U.K. female act and she won the best single award for American Boy, a worldwide hit recorded with U.S. rapper Kanye West.

Lewis took the best album prize for Spirit and best video for her top-selling ballad Bleeding Love.

The MOBOs were first held in 1996 to celebrate the best music of black origin

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TOP 10
MOBILE DOWNLOADS

1. Whatever You Like — T.I.
2. So What — Pink
3. Just Dance — Lady GaGa
4. My Life — The Game
5. Hot N Cold — Katy Perry
6. I Kissed A Girl — Katy Perry
7. Disturbia — Rihanna
8. In The Ayer — Flo Rida
9. When I Grow Up — The Pussycat Dolls
10. Lollipop — Lil Wayne

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AC/DC, Guns N' Roses, Snow Patrol top fall release calender

SoundCheck

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Now that Thanksgiving is out of the way — well, our version of it anyway — it's time for the deluge of big-name fourth quarter releases to hit the stores in time for Christmas. Let's stock, shall we?

• **Black Ice — AC/DC (Tuesday):** This is a monster. By the time this record hits the stores, it will have been eight years, seven months and 23 days since we last saw a new AC/DC record.

My sources say that Canadian record stores have ordered insane amounts of AC/DC products — both new and old — to meet the anticipated demand. Plans include releasing four different covers and then having fans vote on which one should be the permanent one. Once that decision is made, the other three will become instant collectors' items. Crafty, no?

AC/DC may be aging — singer Brian Johnson is 61 and Angus Young is 53 (all five-foot-three, 110 pounds of him) — but they have no intention of slowing down. Nor are they interested in entering the digital age by doing a deal with iTunes. The message from them is "You want this album?.

• **A Hundred Million Suns — Snow Patrol (Oct. 28):** As the title suggests, singer Gary Lightbody is a bit of a science nerd. When I spoke to him a few weeks ago, we had a nice conversation about the issues surrounding the Large Hadron Collider in Switzerland (He swears he had nothing to do with the melting of the magnets.) I've heard the album and I can tell you that if half the songs don't appear on Grey's Anatomy during Meredith's voiceovers, I'll be surprised. A solid record.

• **Chinese Democracy — Guns N' Roses (Nov. 23, the Sunday of the American Thanksgiving. We think. Or maybe it'll be Tuesday, Nov. 25.):** After 13 years, we're go for launch. Best Buy has apparently snagged some exclusive rights to release the 13-years-in-the-making opus from Axl Rose on the Sunday with everyone else getting to sell the record on Tuesday. And as with the AC/DC release, there will be three different covers. Watch for reissues of Appetite for Destruction too.

Guns N' Roses frontman Axl Rose. GETTY IMAGES

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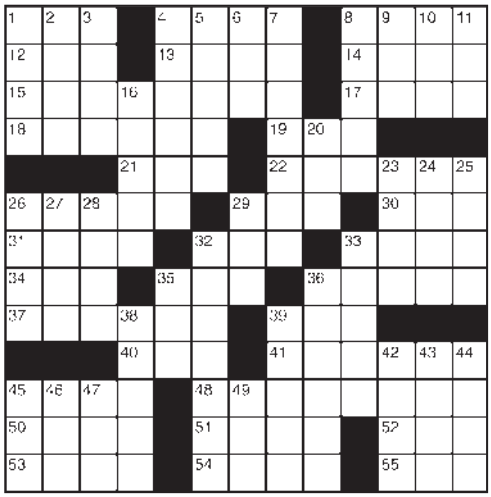

Crossword across

1 Rotation stat
4 Squabbles
8 Head light?
12 Foreman foe
13 Black, in verse
14 Smell
15 Hot pepper
17 November responsibility
18 Tali
19 Infinitesimal
21 — -de-France
22 Heap
26 Malt shop orders
29 Favoring
30 Tolstoy or Delibes
31 String instruments
32 Go up and down
33 Founder
34 Shape shifter?
35 Driver's license datum
36 Battery terminal
37 White who played Steve Urkel
39 Historic period
40 Girl
41 Those with no chance for parole
45 Kermit, for one
48 Window blind
50 Contemporary coin
51 Iowa city
52 Sch. org.
53 Noggin
54 Mysterious character
55 Nevertheless

Crossword down

1 Malay prince
2 Blueprint
3 "Got —?"
4 Drives away
5 Overweight
6 Triumphed
7 Spiel, often
8 Hut
9 Big bother
10 Sodom evacuee
11 Raw rock
16 Wanted-poster info
20 Listener
23 Hodgepodge
24 Hang
25 Oxen's burden
26 N. in a sentence
27 Gumbo need
28 Transaction
29 "Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader?" network
32 Glass vessel used to create a vacuum
33 Glitch
35 Red or Black
36 Melodic
38 Incite
39 Actress Barkin
42 Glimpse
43 Ceremony
44 Membership
45 Calendar abbr.
46 Regret
47 Man-mouse link
49 — Dar'ya (Aral Sea feeder)

Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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3	1					8		7
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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

7	3	4	8	1	9	5	6	2
1	9	6	5	2	7	3	8	4
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3	2	8	7	9	5	6	4	1
5	4	1	3	8	6	2	9	7
6	7	9	1	4	2	8	3	5
9	6	7	2	3	1	4	5	8
4	1	3	9	5	8	7	2	6
8	5	2	6	7	4	9	1	3

SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:
Under 13 min .....Genius
13-17 min.....Scholar
17-21 min .....Smart
21-25 min.....Not bad
25+ min.....Keep practising

Recipe of the day

Linguine with crab

INGREDIENTS:
250g cherry tomatoes, halved
1 tbsp (15 mL) olive oil
12 1/3 oz (350 g) linguine (flat ribbon noodles)
1 red chili pepper, deseeded and finely chopped
1/2 cucumber, finely diced
Grated zest of 1 lemon
1 tsp (5 mL) fresh herb fennel, chopped
3/4 tsp (4 mL) fresh chives, snipped
¾ cup (175 mL) fresh crab meat
1 ½ tbsp (20 mL) arugula
lemon wedges as garnish

METHOD:
1. Preheat grill or broiler. Place tomatoes, cut-sides up, on a heatproof dish. Sprinkle generously with freshly ground black pepper and drizzle with oil. Grill for 4–5 minutes or until browned on top but still firm. Turn off the heat and leave under grill to keep warm.
2. Meanwhile, cook the linguine in a large pot of lightly salted boiling water according to the pack instructions, until al dente.
3. Combine chili, cucumber, lemon zest, fennel and chives in a large serving bowl. Add crab meat and mix lightly.
4. Drain cooked pasta, add to crab mixture and toss together. Add tomatoes and their juices together with arugula and mix lightly, taking care not to break up the tomatoes. Serve with lemon wedges to squeeze over the top.

PER SERVING
412 calories, 22 g protein, 8 g fat, 1g saturates, 68 g carbohydrate, 6 g sugars, 4 g fibre, 224 mg sodium

SERVES 4

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ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Thrills come from a generous person. A makeshift plan needs support. A health problem isn't what it appeared to be.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
Be gracious and show infinite patience. Search for a person with a lapsed conscience. A man's planned visit has risks.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
Be ready to commit to a neutral party. Someone tries to hold on to good sense. An associate will stop whining.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Intimate contact will give great joy. Strangers will find a mutual meeting ground. A worker gets an unfair tongue-lashing.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
A dishonest institution needs better leadership. Mimic the spirit of an enthusiast to succeed. Be loyal to somebody struggling with a bad condition.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
A pointless argument shows a ridiculous lack of insight. A dear fellow has remarkable news. A sad worker objects to pandemonium.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
An indifferent person knows that you have a secret. Going against nature will be dim-witted. You're planning to seek out a loner.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22
A friendship begins to affect your feelings. A new companion is deceptive. A crisis is necessary for you to carry out plans.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21
An emotional bond improves a situation. A secret love calls for caution. There'll be competition for healthy pleasures.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
Keep your deepest feelings in a protected place. Everybody has a story to tell. A relationship is challenged by a misunderstanding.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
Your good mood will rub off on others. A doubtful person ridicules sentimentality. Avoid a sensitive topic.

PISCES
FEB 19-MARCH 20
There is hypocrisy in talking to a liar. A peeved person looks for a job. An unfortunate female appears from nowhere.

Bonet pregnant with third child

Life On Mars star Lisa Bonet is seven months pregnant with her third child. PEOPLE.COM

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Celebrity Buzz

Pink stays happy by working out

PEOPLE Pink never worries about her figure, because the way she stays happy is through regular workouts, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The singer admits comments in the press about her weight are sometimes "hurtful," and is exasperated with the press for being so nasty with their words.

"I'm the same as anybody else. I have days when I don't think I look so great, especially when I have all eyes on me," she tells Britain's Cosmopolitan magazine. "Not so long ago, there was a paparazzi picture of me walking my dogs with the headline, 'A chubby Pink walking her dogs.' You'd never go up to somebody in the street and tell them they're fat, so how can people get away with being so hurtful in print?"

But Pink laughs off the jibes, and hits the gym to cheer herself up.

"I had to laugh about it," she says. "There are more important things in life and I've learnt to be happy with my shape. For me working out is the best anti-depressant in the world."

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Duchovny separated for months

PEOPLE David Duchovny, who recently left rehab for sex addiction, and wife Téa Leoni released a statement Wednesday saying they have been separated for some time, People.com reports.

"In light of continuous speculation over the lives and marriage of Téa Leoni and David Duchovny, the couple has confirmed that they have in fact been separated for several months," the statement says. "The couple had hoped to keep this separation private for the sake of their children."

Duchovny, 48, has been married to actress Leoni since 1997.

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celebrity briefs

Costner is set for another baby

PREGNANCY Kevin Costner is set to become a dad again — his wife Christine Baumgartner is pregnant with the couple's second child, imdb.com reports.

The pair welcomed a son, Cayden Wyatt Costner, in May 2007. The actor has three grownup children from his first marriage to Cindy Silva.

Costner wed designer Baumgartner in September 2004.

He recently told Parade magazine he never thought he'd be starting a second family with Baumgartner, but had to agree to have kids with her before she'd marry him.

"For years, fear kept me from marrying Christine," he said. "Christine wanted a child, but I was afraid I couldn't be an effective father. She said, 'I'm about children. If you want to be with me, if you want to get married, you should know that's part of my makeup.' I woke up and thought, 'Am I going to lose a beautiful woman who is willing to be with me to my very last breath because I am afraid to say yes to a child?' That's all it took. I decided I was not going to miss out on love."

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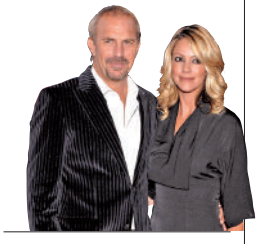

Solange defends sister Beyoncé

CAREER Solange Knowles has defended her superstar sister Beyoncé, insisting their differences shouldn't prompt fans to pick sides between the pair, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The singer has hit out at the press since embarking on her own music career, admitting relentless comparisons to her older sister have made it difficult to step out of her shadow.

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FameThrower

Joe O'Neill

Joe's take on celebrities

Looks like **David Duchovny** and **Tea Leoni** have added each other to their respective 'ex files', as they've confirmed that they have been secretly separated for several months now. I guess secretly separating is the polar opposite of eloping. All this after **Duchovny** successfully completed a dubious program of sex addiction rehab. Isn't going to sex rehab and then getting divorced kind of like quitting drinking and then buying a bar?

It seems like only weeks ago that the couple was happily cavorting at the Czech Street Festival in New York. That's because it was only weeks ago. Used to be that nothing said 'forever' like being spotted at an Eastern European themed hullabaloo, but times have changed.

Coincidentally, just last week I was experiencing narcolepsy while trying to watch the movie Spanglish, in which Leoni plays a woman unhappily married to **Adam Sandler**. I think they split up, but Leoni's character was okay, so I'm not worried about her. As your celebrity observer, I advise you to go right back to either pretending you've never heard of her, or mixing her up with **Jenna Elfman**.

As for **Duchovny**, he'll just get more and more decrepit looking, but since he's not **Jean-Paul Belmondo** no one will find it interesting. He'll look for more pathetic but harmless things to announce he's addicted to, like Notre Dame football, or eating Czech pastries, but no one will care. Eventually, he'll call you up, identifying himself as 'El Guapo', and ask if you want to 'hang out or something'. You'll do the right thing and put the phone down without a word, holding out for a call from Cancer Man.

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Paisleys expecting second child
Country star Brad Paisley and According to Jim actress Kimberly Williams-Paisley are expecting their second child in April. PEOPLE.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Paris denies marriage talk

PEOPLE Paris Hilton has brushed off rumours she will wed boyfriend Benji Madden after stepping out with a diamond ring on her wedding finger, imdb.com reports.

The 27-year-old heiress has admitted she would love to start a family with Madden, 29, since the pair began dating in February.

But Hilton insists they have yet to make official plans to walk down the aisle, insisting the sparkler was merely a thoughtful present from the Good Charlotte rocker.

"The wedding rumours are untrue. We're still boyfriend and girlfriend, but not engaged. The ring is just a nice gift," she told OK! magazine.

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O'Neal and son charged for drugs

LEGAL Ryan O'Neal and his son Redmond have both been charged with felony possession of methamphetamines, imdb.com reports.

The actor and his 23-year-old son were arrested at their Malibu, Calif., home last month after police discovered narcotics on Redmond's person and in Ryan's bedroom during a raid.

Redmond was also charged with two misdemeanour counts of possession of drug paraphernalia and one misdemeanour count of illegal possession of pepper spray, according to TMZ.com.

Both men are scheduled to be arraigned on Nov. 13.

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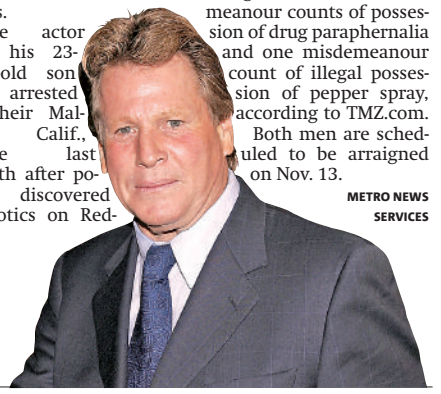

Griffith named one of sexiest women

POLL Melanie Griffith, Lisa Bonet and Swimming Pool stars Charlotte Rampling and Ludivine Sagnier have been named among the 25 Sexiest Women of All Time in a new poll, imdb.com reports.

The quartet joins film icons Julie Christie, Raquel Welch, Sophia Loren, Catherine Deneuve, Brigitte Bardot and Ursula Andress, Nastassja Kinski, Faye Dunaway, Halle Berry, Jessica Alba, Karen Allen and latter day pin-ups Scarlett Johansson, Eva Green, Sienna Miller and Penelope Cruz on the GQ magazine hotlist.

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Rutherford admits to Botox

BEAUTY Gossip Girl's Kelly Rutherford isn't afraid to admit she's had a little Botox — and she doesn't think other celebs should be shy about it, either, People.com reports.

The actress, 39, said she had Botox injected once before she got pregnant with her son, Hermés.

"I think it's beautiful that people are sharing," said Rutherford, noting that women should be honest about everything from childbirth to beauty secrets.

"We sit around at lunch and ask each other (questions), so why not say we had postpartum, giving birth is hell but the children are amazing — and I get Botox."

She added, "I think there's a certain age that if you like having it, go for it."

As for whether she plans on getting more Botox in the future, Rutherford said she's avoiding the needle for now. "I decided I wasn't going to do it all again until I've had two kids and finished nursing them. Then it's a free for all."

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celebrity brief

Zellweger denies Balazs romance

RUMOUR Actress Renée Zellweger has brushed off reports she's dating Uma Thurman's hotelier ex Andre Balazs, imdb.com reports.

Zellweger fuelled speculation she was romantically involved with Balazs after the pair was spotted enjoying a recent dinner together in Manhattan, New York. But a spokesperson has shot back at the claims, insisting Zellweger and Balazs are not romantically involved.

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celebrity brief

Van Der Beek returns to TV

CAREER Former Dawson's Creek star James Van Der Beek is returning to his TV roots with an appearance on One Tree Hill, imdb.com reports.

The actor will play a director looking to turn a book by Chad Michael Murray's character Lucas into a movie.

The teen drama One Tree Hill is filmed on the same Wilmington, North Carolina set where Dawson's Creek was shot between 1998 and 2003.

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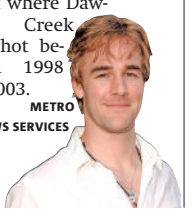

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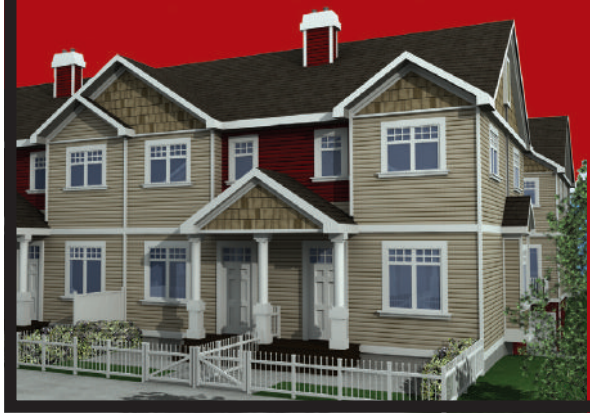

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